

CHESS STRATEGISTS AT PLAY

GUNSBERG LEADS STEINITE BY THE ODD GAME.

The Hungarian Added Another Masterpiece to the Record-His "Mate in Five" Was Brilliant-Steltz was Nowhere.

Any one entering the Manhattan Chess Club just before 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon would have seen a very unusual sight. A young man, Steltz, and Gansberg, seated in friendly communion over a chess board in the club room, examining the position in the Evans game which Steltz is playing in his cable match with the Russian champion Tchigorin. Steltz did not, by any means, look bright; there were no distinct traces remaining of the indifference which prevented his playing on Wednesday.

The opening of yesterday's game was another surprise. The Russian had not been in the club watching the movements on the big club room board. In the first place Steltz for the third time offered a Queen's Gambit, which this time, by way of a change, Gansberg accepted. A pleasant variety was thus introduced, which was augmented by Gansberg's promptly hav-

game in which he made a Q opening had been drawn, Steinitz showed yesterday, in a game making the same opening a persever-
ance which would suggest either that he thought he had discovered really this im-
solution which would enable him to win in
the most comprehensible manner to have
play the same opening until he does win.
(Gunsberg, however, with a wisdom which in
the most comprehensible manner to have
onst the opportunity of again testing the
Queen's Gambit declined, by accepting the
King's Gambit, and thus giving the game
thus given to Adams rapidly developed new
and interesting features. Upon the third
move, Adams played the move which
was present and that this playing an open-
game by Gunsberg was an excellent policy,
and that the game was a masterpiece of
gambit would win. This, of course, was rather
a premature prophecy, but immediately after
Adams had put into practice the princi-
ples of his opinion by securing a minority
position pronounced to have by far the best
position.

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As the game proceeded, the excitement of the spectators grew with each move made by the players. The first artist and the corresponding improvement in the Hungarian's position were lost sight of. The second move was made by the artist, which was accompanied by the announcement "I am resigning!" and the artist left the room without making a single move in five moves. Sufficient to say that Steinitz resigned on his twenty-ninth move.

After the conclusion of the game, which was brought about after 2 hours and 5 minutes, the artist returned to the chess board and continued playing the same opening against Morphy when his turn comes.

A more particular description of the play is given below:

The following is the actual play as it transpired, which was accepted by Gunsberg, who defended in accordance with the theories advanced by Steinitz, and also by Steinitz himself. In stancing on his third move I-K-K-A, Steinitz instead of proceeding in the usual way by A-B

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STEININ. White.		GUMBERG. Black.		STEININ. White.		GUMBERG. Black.	
1	P-K4	1	P-K4	15	K-K1	15	K-K1
2	P-K4	2	P-K4	16	P-K3	16	P-K3
3	P-K4	3	P-K4	17	K-K1	17	K-K1
4	P-K4	4	P-K4	18	P-K3	18	P-K3
5	P-K4	5	P-K4	19	P-K3	19	P-K3
6	P-K4	6	P-K4	20	P-K3	20	P-K3
7	P-K4	7	P-K4	21	P-K3	21	P-K3
8	P-K4	8	P-K4	22	P-K3	22	P-K3
9	P-K4	9	P-K4	23	P-K3	23	P-K3
10	P-K4	10	P-K4	24	P-K3	24	P-K3
11	P-K4	11	P-K4	25	P-K3	25	P-K3
12	P-K4	12	P-K4	26	P-K3	26	P-K3
13	P-K4	13	P-K4	27	P-K3	27	P-K3
14	P-K4	14	P-K4	28	P-K3	28	P-K3
15	P-K4	15	P-K4	29	P-K3	29	P-K3
16	P-K4	16	P-K4	30	P-K3	30	P-K3
17	P-K4	17	P-K4	31	P-K3	31	P-K3
18	P-K4	18	P-K4	32	P-K3	32	P-K3
19	P-K4	19	P-K4	33	P-K3	33	P-K3
20	P-K4	20	P-K4	34	P-K3	34	P-K3
21	P-K4	21	P-K4	35	P-K3	35	P-K3
22	P-K4	22	P-K4	36	P-K3	36	P-K3
23	P-K4	23	P-K4	37	P-K3	37	P-K3
24	P-K4	24	P-K4	38	P-K3	38	P-K3
25	P-K4	25	P-K4	39	P-K3	39	P-K3
26	P-K4	26	P-K4	40	P-K3	40	P-K3
27	P-K4	27	P-K4	41	P-K3	41	P-K3
28	P-K4	28	P-K4	42	P-K3	42	P-K3
29	P-K4	29	P-K4	43	P-K3	43	P-K3
30	P-K4	30	P-K4	44	P-K3	44	P-K3
31	P-K4	31	P-K4	45	P-K3	45	P-K3
32	P-K4	32	P-K4	46	P-K3	46	P-K3
33	P-K4	33	P-K4	47	P-K3	47	P-K3
34	P-K4	34	P-K4	48	P-K3	48	P-K3
35	P-K4	35	P-K4	49	P-K3	49	P-K3
36	P-K4	36	P-K4	50	P-K3	50	P-K3
37	P-K4	37	P-K4	51	P-K3	51	P-K3
38	P-K4	38	P-K4	52	P-K3	52	P-K3
39	P-K4	39	P-K4	53	P-K3	53	P-K3
40	P-K4	40	P-K4	54	P-K3	54	P-K3
41	P-K4	41	P-K4	55	P-K3	55	P-K3
42	P-K4	42	P-K4	56	P-K3	56	P-K3
43	P-K4	43	P-K4	57	P-K3	57	P-K3
44	P-K4	44	P-K4	58	P-K3	58	P-K3
45	P-K4	45	P-K4	59	P-K3	59	P-K3
46	P-K4	46	P-K4	60	P-K3	60	P-K3
47	P-K4	47	P-K4	61	P-K3	61	P-K3
48	P-K4	48	P-K4	62	P-K3	62	P-K3
49	P-K4	49	P-K4	63	P-K3	63	P-K3
50	P-K4	50	P-K4	64	P-K3	64	P-K3
51	P-K4	51	P-K4	65	P-K3	65	P-K3
52	P-K4	52	P-K4	66	P-K3	66	P-K3
53	P-K4	53	P-K4	67	P-K3	67	P-K3
54	P-K4	54	P-K4	68	P-K3	68	P-K3
55	P-K4	55	P-K4	69	P-K3	69	P-K3
56	P-K4	56	P-K4	70	P-K3	70	P-K3
57	P-K4	57	P-K4	71	P-K3		

(14 min.) Q-N4 (14 min.) K-Q6 ch.
12 - R-N3 Q-N4 (14 min.) K-Q6 ch.
13 - K-R3 N-Q7 (6) 20 - R-N3 (14 min.)
14 - N-A K-B-Q (14 min.)

Gunsberg here announces mate in five moves (1), the position being as follows:

POSITION.

Black (Gunsberg)—12 pieces.

White (Steinitz)—11 pieces.

26 Kt-K5 Kt-B6 B-K4 R-R4 ch 60 min
27 K-K6 R-Q5 ch (N-J5) 60 min

Notes are by Mr. Steinitz.

(a) Quite in the old style, as played already by B. Bourdonnais and McDonnell.

(b) The above moves (notably) played here by Marshall.

(c) I think I already played against Tschigorin in this combination game; the object is not to allow the Kt. to reach B 5, but it is probably better to retreat R-K4 at once.

(d) P-K4 or P-K3 were the right moves at this juncture, and in fact the thousands lose the game.

A very fine move, which gains the gain of a pawn.

This is a bad move, and Kt-K3 is a waste move as it is doubly lost the proper play.

(a) Also a very fine move.

(b) Very bad. White threatened to win a piece by K-K3. Now could the Kt advance, as it would be a sacrifice.

(c) Very fine play, as while not advance the pawn, it would be disastrous for him, and otherwise the white would be in a very bad position.

(d) K-K3 was now the only defence. The text move is a very good move.

(e) As will be seen, the mate is accomplished in most ingenious manner.

GRANGE ARE YOUNG AND THRIVING.

The Grange Field Club of Bronxville, Westchester county, this State, is scarcely six months old, yet has already made a name for itself. The club has a very significant hall house is being erected on the hotel site at Armour Park. The club intends to make it the center of the social life of that section of the county, and to give the gratification of the citizens to the young people of the county.

The officials of the club are as follows: President, Arthur W. Wied; Vice-President, William W. Kent; Secretary, J. Harry Hrair; Treasurer, Philip C. Kennedy; Directors, Frank C. Garman, J. Harry Hrair, Arthur W. Wied, Law Stewart, Richard Schroeder, Jefferson M. Levy.

The Crescenta Entertains.

The first regular men's reception of the Crescent Athletic Club was held at the club house on Pierrepont street, Brooklyn, last night. The club house testified to the popularity of the champion football players. Many artists of note entertained the assembled guests of the organization, and the evening was passed in enjoyment for the guests and success for the club.

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Large Bottle, \$2. Small Bottle, \$1.

NEWS FOR THE YOUNG KAISER. **MISS BETCHEL'S FALSE ARREST.**

The Littlefield Hotel Mystery.
 Larchmont, Dec. 18.—In May last a man who resembled a German, and who was called A. Monroe of Brooklyn, N. Y., was found dead in his bed. There were suspicions of suicide, as a pillow of laudanum was found behind a curtain. The appearance was that of a man well-to-do business man. Some knew him, or where he came from, except that he arrived the day before on the Naughton train. The

A sixteen-year-old Burglar's Career.
PITTSBURGH, Dec. 17.—Shirley Crill of Licking county, Ohio, is on his way to Harrisburg, Pa., to appear before the federal grand jury. He is Richardson, a young criminal, who is now under arrest in this city. Richardson is only 16 years old, but he is an adept in crime. Fifteen months ago he was arrested while breaking into a store in this city. He was held for a few days, but he was convicted, but, on account of his youthfulness, he was released. He has since been arrested several times, but he has always been released.

Anthony Comstock was the first witness. John Graham, who appeared for the defense, objected to Mr. Comstock's designating the articles "obscene." The judge, however, sustained the character of the place raided. "Don't say 'faro lay-out' or 'deal tray,'" was his copious admonition. "Put layout and tray." The witness then testified that he had been aroused the connellors' indignation. "I was arrested," he said, "and I was taken away ten years ago on connecting questions to

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John A. Smith Killed.
John A. Smith of Newark was killed at the Roosevelt Hotel, Newark, Sunday morning, by a bullet fired from the apartment of a woman, who was charged with the murder.

After Eight Hours From Something to Eat.
 Slightly Suet, as he hears the end of his forty-five days' fast, seems to be losing nervous energy for far greater exertion than eight hours' pulse-gone feverish last night, which was the finish of his forty-third day of abstinence from solid food, and his manner was excited. He ate a little more than a pound of meat, a quarter of a pound yesterday, but his strength of spirit was not so good as it had been.

He drank eight ounces of Croton, twelve.

eight ounces of fire, and did not take any of his hunger-destroying elixir.

Stephaniel said to be insane.

Judge Martine said yesterday that he had not had time to read the two reports of the Commission appointed to determine whether Alphonse Joseph Stephaniel is insane, but that he understood that the majority report, signed by the two judges, was to the effect that Stephaniel is sane, and should be put on the jury.

CONSUMPTION,
SCROFULA, BRONCHITIS AND
CHRONIC COUGH OF SEVERE COULD,
AND THE EFFECTS OF THE
GENIUS, as there are poor imitations.

Daniel Lord, Jr., signs the minority report.